Colgate Palmolive India Limited, Hindustan Lever Limited and Ponds India Limited to the MRTP Commission. The Commission has already issued notice of enquiry against these companies on 9.3.1995. The cases are sub-judice before the Commission.

(f) and (g) As regards investigations against Saurashtra Ballpen Company and Phillips Radio (renamed as Pieco Electronics and Electricals Ltd.), the MRTP Commission instituted RTP Enquiry against both the companies. While the matter relating to the former company was last heard by the MRTP Commission on 3.2.1995 and is now posted for hearing on 28.4.1995 for arguments, the case of the later company was last heard by the Hon'ble Commission on 7.2.1995 and is now posted for arguments on 24.4.1995. Both the matters are subjudice before the Commission.

Cases disposed of by Supreme Court High Courts

730. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases disposed of by the Supreme Court and High Courts during 1990-91, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94 and as on date;

(b) whether a larger number of cases are still pending in Supreme Court and High Courts;

(c) if so, since when these cases are pending; and

(d) the measures taken to expedite the disposal of these cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) Information is furnished in the Statement I & II attached (*See* below)

(d) In order to consider the problem of arrears of cases in Courts and find out ways and means to deal with it as expeditiously as possible, a meeting, of the Chief Ministers and Chief Justices of the High Courts was held on 4th December, 1993 under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister. The resolutions adopted in the Conference have been commended to all the State Governments/ UT Administrations and High Courts for necessary action. Further, the Administration of Justice has been made a plan item, with a view to remove infrastructural bottlenecks coming in the way of expeditious disposal of cases. In addition, the Supreme Court has also taken various steps to expedite the disposal of cases, which include grouping together of similar matters and larger groups being given priority in listing, setting apart three days a week for regular hearing matters and Constitution of specialised benches etc. The working hours of the Supreme Court have also been extended by half an hour.

Statement

S. No	Name of the High Court	No of Cases disposed of during				
		1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	
1		2	3	4	5	
1.	Allahabad. . .	60326	67093	82599	82563	
2.	Guwahati . . .	8349	10123	12074	5361	(1-1-94 to 30-6-94)
3.	Karnataka . .	48301	53715	35741	40740	

1		2	3	4	5
4	Madras	53847	52591	50328	51749
5	Patna	44025	54097	43573	57984
6	Punjab & Haryana	65725	80145	55714	69652
7	Sikkam	91	102	114	141

		No of cases disposed of during				
		1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
8	Andhra Pradesh	25041	24746	23895	25824	12684 (as on 1/7/94)
9	Bombay	54877	83745	85445	96722	45177 (upto 30/6/94)
10	Calcutta	23798	32772	30748	27801	7773 (upto 31/3/94)
11	Delhi	32749	41652	3858	45164	
12	Gujarat	20277	30237	26578	36743	18731 (upto 30/6/94)
13	Himachal Pradesh	8585	6545	9961	10232	4300 (upto 6/94)
14	Jammu & Kashmir	10754	16955	19125	16726	6008 (upto 30/6/94)
15	Kerala	24359	22703	22139	24126	14747 (upto 18/8/94)
16	Madhya Pradesh	20125	25122	23063	23375	17312 (upto 6/94)
17	Orissa	27560	22052	30051	35239	12142 (upto 6/94)
18	Rajasthan	28578	41882	41454	43562	10054 (upto 6/94)
19	Supreme Court		6662	15613	6350	

Statement-II

Pendency of cases in High Courts and Supreme Court

Name of the Court	No of cases pending as on 31st March 1994	No of cases pending for more than 5 years
Supreme Court	38,728 (Regular Hearing Matters)	20,117
High Courts		
1. Allahabad*	7,35,326	3,21,851

1	2	3	4
2	Andhra Pradesh	1,24,387	15,993
3	Bombay	1,93,012	44,279
4	Calcutta	2,35,721	1,47,937
5	Delhi*	1,38,482	62,914
6	Gujarat	96,949	41,600
7	Guwahati	25,573	5,870
8	H. P.	20,466	4,465
9	Jammu & Kashmir	78,065	24,577
10	Karnataka	1,43,852	32,364
11	Kerala	1,47,084	9,189
12	Madhya Pradesh*	85,448	18,084
13	Madras	3,25,935	68,133
14	Orissa	44,794	5,754
15	Patna**	91,758	16,372
16	Punjab & Haryana	1,29,838	46,850
17	Rajasthan*	82,404	17,137
18	Sikkim**	76	25

* Indicate pendency of cases in High Courts as on 31-12-1993

** Indicate pendency of cases in High Court as on 30-6-1994

Enquiry into Enrolment of a Government Servant as an Advocate

731. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answers to Unstarred Questions 1450 nd 3190 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd March, and 18th August, 1994 respectively and state:

(a) whether the Bar Council of India has since completed the examination of the complaints with regard to enrolment of a Government servant as an advocate;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(c) if not, the reasons for inordinate delay in the finalisation of the case and the time by which the same is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Bar Council of India has stated that the matter is likely to be taken at its next meeting.